

**APPENDIX D**

Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/300,302  
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Please amend the first paragraph on page 35 of the specification (see lines 1-2 on page 35) as indicated below, wherein the portions being added are underlined and the portions being deleted are enclosed in braces.

Metallocenes containing a  $O-SiR^{II}_3$  group can be prepared according to the method disclosed in EP {97500068.6} 97500068.8.